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State of Louisiana
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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File No.: LA0049492
AI No.: 4634
Activity No.: PER20070002

Ms. CaSandra Cooper-Gates, Director of
Human, Environmental, and Safety Services
LOOP LLC
Deepwater Port Complex
Post Office Box 7250
Metairie, Louisiana 70010-7250

RE: Draft Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES)/National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit to discharge marine cargo hose testing water, wash water, brine, non-contact cooling water, treated sanitary wastewater, and stormwater runoff into the Gulf of Mexico (Outfalls 001, 002, 004, and 015), Bayou Lafourche (Outfalls 005 and 006), Breton Canal (Outfalls 007, 008, 012, and 020), Bayou Moreau (Outfalls 018 and 023), LL&E Canal (Outfalls 021, 025, and 024), and the Reservoir Canal (Outfalls 026 and 027) from an existing offshore deepwater port and onshore pipeline and storage facilities for the transportation of crude oil located at 224 East 101 Place in Cutoff, Lafourche Parish.

Dear Ms. Cooper-Gates:

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6 (USEPA) propose to reissue a joint LPDES/NPDES permit with the effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and special conditions listed in the attached DRAFT PERMIT. Please note that this is a DRAFT PERMIT only and as such does not grant any authorization to discharge. Authorization to discharge in accordance with this permitting action will only be granted after all requirements described herein are satisfied and by the subsequent issuance of a FINAL PERMIT. Upon the effective date of the FINAL PERMIT, the FINAL PERMIT shall replace the previously effective joint LPDES/NPDES permit.

This Office will publish a public notice one time in a local newspaper of general circulation and in the Office of Environmental Services Public Notice Mailing List. A copy of the public notice containing the specific requirements for commenting on this draft permit action will be sent under separate cover at the time the public notice is arranged. In accordance with LAC 33:IX.6521.A, the applicant shall receive and is responsible for paying the invoice(s) from the above mentioned newspaper(s). LAC 33:IX.6521.A states: "...the costs of publication shall be borne by the applicant."

The invoice, fee rating worksheet, and a copy of the fee regulations will be sent under a separate cover letter as applicable. Please note that a copy of the fee rating worksheet is also attached to this draft permit. A copy of the entire Louisiana Water Quality Regulations may be obtained from the LDEQ Office of Environmental Assessment, Post Office Box 4314, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4314, (225) 219-3236.

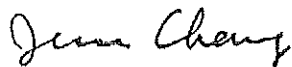
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Pursuant to LAC 33:IX.1309.I, LAC 33:IX.6509.A.1, and LAC 33:1.1701, you must pay any outstanding fees to the Department. Therefore, you are encouraged to verify the facility's fee status by contacting LDEQ's Office of Management and Finance, Financial Services Division (225) 219-3863. Failure to pay in the manner and time prescribed could result in applicable enforcement actions as prescribed in the Environmental Quality Act, including, but not limited to revocation or suspension of the applicable permit, and/or assessment of a civil penalty against you.

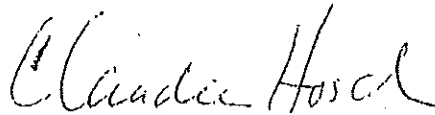
For sanitary treatment plants, the plans and specifications must be approved by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health, P.O. Box 4489, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4489, (225) 342-7395.

Should you have any questions concerning any part of the DRAFT PERMIT, public notice requirements, or fee, please feel free to contact Sonja Loyd, Office of Environmental Services, at the address on the preceding page or by telephone at (225) 219-3090. To ensure that all correspondence regarding this facility is properly filed into the Department's Electronic Document Management System, you must reference your Agency Interest (AI) number 4634 and LPDES/NPDES permit number LA0049492 on all future correspondence to this Department, including Discharge Monitoring Reports.

Sincerely,



Jesse Chang
Environmental Scientist Manager
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Claudia Hosch
Branch Chief
NPDES Permits Branch (6WQ-PP)

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Attachments: draft permit, fact sheet, and fee sheet

c: Sonja Loyd
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